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In re Application of:)	
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)	Examiner: Scott A. Rogers
Serial No.: 09/877,240)	
)	Group: 2624
Filed: June 11, 2001)	Atty Dkt No. 001223.00014
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)	
DELIVERY OF DIGITAL IMAGES)	
OVER A COMPUTER NETWORK)	

PETITION FOR SUSPENSION OF ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby requests a Suspension of Action in the above-captioned application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(a) for a period of six (6) months. The present application is owned, through an Assignment from the inventor, by NetFax, Inc. ("NetFax"). The assignment was duly recorded in the Patent Office.

On May 14, 2002, NetFax filed for bankruptcy protection in the United States Bankruptcy Court For The District of Maryland under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy code. Its filing status was converted to Chapter 7 on June 21, 2002. Attached is a copy of a notice evidencing NetFax's Chapter 7 status which was issued by the Bankruptcy Court.

The present application is one of the assets in the bankruptcy estate of NetFax. In order to preserve the value of this asset while prospective purchasers of the estate complete their due diligence and to allow a new owner full discretion over the prosecution of this application, a suspension of action of six (6) months is respectfully requested.

The bankruptcy trustee responsible for the NetFax estate, has authorized the undersigned to make this request.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$130 to our Deposit Account 19-0733 for the fee due for submission of this Petition. If this amount is incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account 19-0733.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below if he believes doing so would be helpful in resolving any questions in connection with this petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: September 24, 2003

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